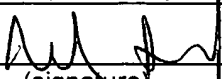




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Please enter the following amendment and response to the Office Action of June 1, 2006.